Ostrya virginiana

Hop-hornbeam



Also called hop hornbeam. A medium-sized understory tree, rounded in shape. Handsome, sturdy, relatively free of insect or disease problems. Does well in partial shade. Taproot makes transplanting difficult; may be slow to establish. Seedpods are lovely - light brown, papery cones, resembling hop-flowers. Wonderful, slightly shaggy bark.

Suggested companions: oaks (Quercus sp.), hickories (Carya sp.), flowering dogwood (Cornus florida), Pennsylvania sedge (Carex pensylvanica), Bottle-brush grass (Hystrix patula), thimbleweed (Anemone virginiana)

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Plant Type: Small Tree Size: 25-40'

15-25' W

Water Tolerant: No.

Habitat: Forested Upland

Soil: Average Garden Soil Rich Moist Sandy/ Gravelly

filtered Exposure: shade sun

Flower Color: Bloom Time: Red May Brown

Plant in: Spring

Groundcover: No Other Attributes: Wildlife attracting Bird attracting Winter interest